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## **LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. (Previously presented) A gas seal structure comprising:

a main seal means that is made of rubber and is disposed between two seal

surfaces;

a sub-seal means that is made of resin and is disposed between the two seal

surfaces, the sub-seal means being located closer to a higher-pressure region than the main

seal means and being provided with a concave groove; and

a pressure variation reducing means that is disposed between the main seal

means and the sub-seal means and has a variation reducing space connected to a gap formed

between the two seal surfaces and having a volume that is able to inhibit occurrence of a

blistering phenomenon in the main seal means.

2. (Original) The gas seal structure according to claim 1, wherein the sub-seal

means is disposed such that the concave groove opens toward the higher-pressure side region.

3. (Original) The gas seal structure according to claim 1, wherein the sub-seal

means is disposed such that the concave groove opens toward a lower-pressure side region.

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